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### **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPLEMENTING POINT-TO-MULTIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS OVER A CONNECTION-BASED DATA COMMUNICATION NETWORK**

which is described and claimed in the specification in application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed 6 December, 2001.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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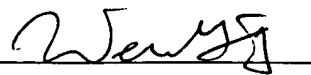
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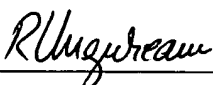
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